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CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION

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LOUISVILLE METRO CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION
MEETING SUMMARY

Thursday, August 31, 2010

Members Present: Judge Judith Bartholomew, Chair; Kim Allen; Evan Roach (Designee for Gary Barnes); Mark Bolton; Richard O'Malley (Designee for Michael O'Connell); Judge Erica Lee Williams (Designee for Judge Sean Delahanty); Elizabeth Fries; D. Scott Furkin; Don Meier (Designee for Dan Goyette); Roger Henderson; Carla Kreitman; Ginny Lee; Richard Lewis; Wanda Baker (Designee for David L. Nicholson); Metro Councilwoman Judith Green (Designee for Metro Council President Tom Owen); Charlotte Van Meter; Vince Robison (Designee for Colonel Robert White); and Clarence Williams.

Excused Members: Sheriall Cunningham and Lucy Lee.

Guests Present: Jamie Allen (Metro Corrections); Kathy Bingham (Metro Corrections); Tara Boh Klute (Pre-Trial Services); and Tina Messer (Drug Court).

Staff Present: Dr. Deborah Keeling; Faith Augustine; Betsy Helm; Bruce McMichael; Tracey Neathery; and Stephanie Stidham.

I. WELCOME/CALL TO ORDER

Judge Bartholomew called the meeting to order, welcomed all in attendance and called for introductions.

II. APPROVAL OF MEETING SUMMARY OF JUNE 24, 2010 MEETING

The summary of the June 24, 2010 meeting was unanimously approved as submitted.

III. CHAIR'S REPORT

Judge Bartholomew reported that CJC staff recently distributed a survey of major criminal justice issues in our community to Board members and other criminal justice and public safety stakeholders. This is a revision of the survey completed in 2007. The results will be compared to the 2007 version and shared at a future Board meeting.

The summer issue of the Metro Justice Forum (CJC quarterly newsletter) has been emailed to members. Judge Bartholomew advised that a copy of the newsletter is included in the agenda packet.

According to Judge Bartholomew, the Commission staff continues its research on recidivism. Analysis of data from the local jail, the Community Corrections Center, and the Home Incarceration Program, will begin soon. Graduate students from the University of Louisville will assist with this process.

On behalf of the CJC, Judge Bartholomew welcomed Melissa McIntosh, a graduate student intern from the University of Louisville School of Justice Administration. Melissa will be assisting with research and various other projects through the fall semester.

Judge Bartholomew announced that at the October 21st Board meeting, Tom Gorman, Assistant Special Agent in Charge, Drug Enforcement Administration, will present information on the legislation that was passed in the 2010 session regarding Salvia.

IV. PRESENTATIONS

Sentencing Options Survey

Deborah G. Keeling, Ph.D., Executive Director

Dr. Keeling presented the findings of the Sentencing Options Survey. The need for this survey grew out of discussion in the Metro Corrections: Vision 20/20 process and questions regarding the perceptions of sentencing options. Dr. Keeling reported that the survey had an excellent response rate of 43%. A copy of the findings will be available to Board members and the public at www.louisvilleky.gov/CriminalJusticeCommission.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Legislative Committee

Stephanie Stidham reported that the committee had been reconvened to address legislative issues prior to the 2011 Legislative Session. Any legislative proposals are due by Friday, September 3rd. The committee will meet on September 16th to review the proposals.

Ms. Stidham also advised that the Committee continues to track the work of the State's Task Force on the Penal Code and Controlled Substances Act. The Task Force is receiving technical assistance from the Pew Center Public Safety Performance Project as they work to develop strategies for reducing recidivism while hold offenders accountable and for controlling corrections spending. Additionally, Ms. Stidham reports that the Task Force hopes to report on Phase One in January including some recommendation that can be accomplished during the 2011 Session. Work will continue toward Phase Two.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. US Senate Bill 714 – Creation of National Criminal Justice Commission

Kim Allen updated the Board on the progress of US Senate Bill 714 which would establish a national Criminal Justice Commission to study the criminal justice system and make recommendations to Congress and the President. According to Ms. Allen, corresponding HB 5143 has passed the House in July and now has moved for a vote in the Senate.

B. Technology Update

Betsy Helm updated the Board on the status of technology projects being overseen by the Criminal Justice Commission.

e-Subpoena – The servers and software have been delivered and installed. Yvonne Stutesman, Project Manager, Metro Technology Services, has been meeting with the stakeholders to review the business processes and confirm the needed software configuration.

e-EPO – Due to its work on the Electronic Warrant infrastructure, Open Portal Solutions, Inc. was awarded the sole source contract for the Electronic Emergency Protective Order project. The contract is pending final Metro Council approval. The first phase of the project is to complete an initial design. A core “design team” is meeting to discuss and create the design and work flow process. The project must be implemented by February, 2011.

Day Reporting Center – A draft Lease Agreement for the space at 6th & Cedar, to locate the Center, is under review and the space design is being drafted.

Electronic Bond Payment – The system went live on a limited basis last week.

VII. ADJOURN/NEXT MEETING

With no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting is Thursday, October 21, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. in the Crown Room of the Judicial Center.